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Going... Gone!

A 55-year-old state bridge crossing the Niobrara River on Hwy. 281 was demolished January 10. The bridge, about 25 miles north of O'Neill, was exploded by Christensen Bros., Inc., Cherokee, IA, as part of the Niobrara River North & South project. The new bridge, in the background, was completed and opened to traffic in August 2004.

Photos by Dan Ziska, District 8

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More Than Teamwork



Roger Winkelhake

By Roger Winkelhake
Project Scheduling & Program Management Engineer

The future of the department will be shaped by the teamwork of everyone within the department. It doesn't matter who we are a maintenance worker, a construction inspector, a district engineer or a division manager.

You as a supervisor or team leader must involve the entire team to achieve the desired result. You the maintenance worker, inspector,

engineer or accountant must involve the supervisor and the entire team to achieve the desired result.

Benjamin Franklin said "a good example is the best sermon."

He also said "without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement and success have no meaning."

A team can be the people we normally work with or an improvement team that has been formed to achieve a certain goal. As team members, we must establish goals and deadlines and be responsible for our actions.

Every once in a while, we need to step back and take a look at ourselves. What is it I am doing, what should I be doing and how can I improve what I am doing. We should take advantage of the many training classes made available by the department to improve ourselves and our skills.

We must never lose sight of the fact that we are public employees and have a responsibility to take care of the needs of the public. Our external and internal customers may not always be right in what they want or request from us, but they must always be treated with respect and courtesy.

Another quote from Benjamin Franklin is "when you're finished changing, you're finished."

Mr. Franklin hit the nail on the head with that quote. Change can be scary, but it is something that will always be with us. Just think of what has happened with technology in the last 40 or so years. The equipment we use to do our job, the computers or calculators in use today are quite a change from when I began my career with the NDOR. When I started over 40 years ago, we were using slide rulers. What will it be 40 years from now? •



Vosburg Appointed District 7 Engineer

Kurt Vosburg is the new District 7 Engineer for the Nebraska Department of Roads. District 7 includes Chase, Dundy, Franklin, Frontier, Furnas, Gosper, Harlan, Hayes, Hitchcock, Kearney, Perkins, Phelps and Red Willow counties. Vosburg, a licensed

Vosburg, a licensed professional engineer,

succeeds Jim Knott, who was recently named the new NDOR Roadway Design Division Engineer at their state headquarters in Lincoln.

For 21 years, Vosburg has worked at the Roads Department in a variety of capacities, including serving as District Construction Engineer in District 7 for the past nine years. Born in Oxford, Nebraska, and raised in Holdrege, Vosburg began his career at NDOR in 1983, working as a temporary Engineering Aide each summer while attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.



Kurt Vosbura

After earning his Bachelor of Science degree, Vosburg accepted a permanent position in 1988 in the Holdrege Construction Office. In 1991, he was promoted to Engineer I at the McCook District Office. Vosburg served in many capacities, including survey crew member, survey crew leader, inspector, and project manager prior to his

promotion to Construction Engineer in 1996.

Vosburg said he has enjoyed the people he has worked with and the projects they have built together. He said he has learned a great deal from many dedicated individuals and has the utmost respect for them. He also said he has enjoyed the opportunity offered by the department to assume a great deal of responsibility early in his career.

"I have found the work very rewarding and am proud of what we accomplished as a team. I enjoy the variety and look forward to new challenges as District 7 Engineer."

Vosburg said he plans to continue District 7's long tradition of having both excellent highways and an excellent relationship with the public, local governments, contractors and other NDOR divisions/districts. He says building on this tradition is one of his top priorities. Vosburg also plans to take the time necessary to become better acquainted with maintenance operations, which he says is critical to NDOR's mission.

Reflecting on his management philosophy, Vosburg noted, "I am very fortunate that District 7 has an experienced and capable staff. My job as their leader is to present a clear vision and direction, provide the resources necessary, and be available to assist and support them."

Vosburg, 41, and his wife, Rebecca, have been married nine years. Rebecca is a loan officer for Wells Fargo Bank. In their spare time, they enjoy the area lakes, traveling and spending time with friends. ◆

Wahlgren New NDOR District 4 Engineer

Wes Wahlgren is the new District 4
Engineer for the Nebraska Department
of Roads. District 4 includes Adams,
Buffalo, Clay, Fillmore, Greeley, Hall,
Hamilton, Howard, Merrick, Nance,
Nuckolls, Polk, Sherman, Thayer,
Valley, Webster and York counties.
Wahlgren, a licensed professional
engineer, succeeds Chuck McCann,
who retired January 13 with 35 years
of state service, 13 years as District 4
Engineer in Grand Island.

For 15 years, Wahlgren has worked at the Roads Department in a variety of capacities, including serving as the Assistant Construction Engineer in the Lancaster County area, District 1, for the past three years. Born and raised in Gothenburg, Nebraska, Wahlgren graduated from Gothenburg High School, took pre-engineering at Kearney State College, and Civil Engineering at the University of

Nebraska-Lincoln, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering in 1985. Immediately after college, Wahlgren worked four years for the Lincoln County Department of Roads in North Platte.

Wahlgren began his career at NDOR in 1989, working as a Bridge Inspection Engineer. He

Inspection Engineer. He also did bridge design work during his nine years with the Department's Bridge Division. From 1998 to 2001, Wahlgren served as a Project Manager in NDOR's District 1 office in Lincoln, and in 2001, he was promoted to Assistant Construction Engineer in District 1.

During his tenure as Assistant Construction Engineer, and



Wes Wahlgren

throughout his NDOR career, Wahlgren said his greatest accomplishment was seeing the people he has worked with grow and advance in their careers. Another accomplishment was providing awareness of bridge maintenance needs and helping to prolong the life of the State's bridges.

continue building on the strengths already at District 4, Wahlgren noted, "I plan to use the teamwork approach to provide the safest, best transportation system possible with the available resources, utilizing sound long-range planning and innovative construction and maintenance."

Wahlgren, 47, and his wife, Shirley, have been married 16 years. They

See Wahlgren on page 4

Students Tour West Dodge Road **Elevated Expressway Project**

By Karl Burns, District 2 Project Manager

Members of the Omaha Public Schools North High campus, which is the magnet school for pre-engineering students, have taken a great interest in the U.S. Highway 6 (West Dodge Road) elevated expressway project from I-680 to 132nd Street. Mr. Lee Kalstrum, the students' instructor, stopped by the NDOR field office, located at 11204 Davenport Street, and asked if the department would be willing to hold a few classes and talk about the elevated expressway project. After a few meetings with Mr. Kalstrum, plans were made to hold 12 classes over the next two years. Juniors and seniors will be participating in the classes with a combined total of 25 students.

The first class was held at the West Dodge field office in October with all of the students attending. I presented the class with an overview of the entire project from 2004 to 2008 and a few plan sheets of the pier construction. I also showed a 9-minute video with computer-generated images of the project when it is completed, to include a computer-generated westbound drive-through of lower

Dodge and an eastbound drivethrough on the elevated expressway.

We discussed phasing and timelines of the project to include the elevated bridges, 120th Street intersection, north and south frontage roads, 114th Street intersection and the Old Mill area. The students asked several questions about the pier and girder construction. After the classroom instruction, we took a walk-through on the jobsite in the area of the eastbound structure near the Old Mill area. The students were able to stand next to one of the piers and get a feeling of how large the structure really is.

The second class was held in November. Only the seniors attended while the juniors were assigned to a different project. We will see juniors again in the Fall of 2005. Piling was the topic of discussion during this class. We discussed types of piling used and the reasons why and how the contractor stakes the location, excavates for the footing and drives the piling with the pile driver. I also showed a 10-minute video of the piledriving operation and the students are looking forward to a walk-through. Also, I had a 1-foot section of piling

the students could examine during the class. Many questions were answered.

During a third class meeting in late January 2005, we discussed reinforcing steel and the types of concrete used in structures. ♦

Wahlgren (cont'd. from page 3)

have two grown step-daughters, Stephanie and Amy, and two sons, Harry, 12 years old, and William, 6 years old. In his spare time, Wahlgren is a World War II buff and enjoys researching and establishing friendships with others who have this interest.

Chuck McCann Retires

Born in Vermillion, South Dakota, Chuck McCann graduated from Brookings High School in Brookings, S.D. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, Rapid City, S.D. in 1967.

McCann began his career at NDOR in 1969 and served in a variety of engineering positions in District 1 in Lincoln, Roadway Design, Bridge and Right-of-Way. In 1991, he was appointed District 4 Engineer in Grand Island.

McCann also served in the Nebraska Army National Guard and the Nebraska Air National Guard. He was commissioned as a Captain in 1980 and retired as a Squadron Commander in 1992.

McCann and his wife, Peggy, have two daughters, Marse Mae and Marissa Marie, and three grandchildren. During retirement, McCann's plans include enjoying the grandchildren, traveling, caring for family, working on their acreage, golfing, restoring an old car and tractor, volunteering and enjoying life in general. •



Omaha North High School students tour the jobsite of the West Dodge Road elevated expressway project after participating in a class held by NDOR's Karl Burns.

Rewards & Recognition

October, November, December 2004 Employees & Managers of the Quarter

Employees

Managers

District 1

Craig Branch

Hwy. Construction Tech II Lincoln

None

District 2

Troy Renken

Hwy. Construction Tech III Omaha

Frank Veverka

Hwy. Project Manager Fremont

District 3

None

None

District 4

John Hewen

Hwy. Maintenance Worker Sr. Aurora

William T. Farber

Hwy. Project Manager Kearney

District 5

Marsha Kreiling

Hwy. Maintenance Worker Sr. Scottsbluff

Joe Arbour

Hwy. Mechanic Dist. Supervisor Bridgeport

District 6

Connie Pete Boyer

Hwy. Maintenance Worker Sr. Mullen

Roger Klasna

Hwy. Maintenance Dist. Supt. North Platte

District 7

Greg Beck

Auto/Diesel Mechanic Arapahoe

Bill Nutt

Hwy. Maintenance Supervisor Maywood

Brad Geisler

Auto/Diesel Mechanic Lead McCook

District 8

Peggy Jackson

Hwy. Construction Tech II O'Neill

Paul Lowe

Hwy. Maintenance Supervisor Burwell

Central Headquarters

Russ Skalak

Facility Maintenance Specialist Logistics

Khalil Jaber

Engineer V Rail & Public Transportation

Steve Moore

Hwy. Proj. Eng. Review Analyst Planning & Project Development

Rhonda DeButts

Hwy. Materials & Tests Manager Materials & Research

Service Awards

Congratulations to these dedicated individuals for their work and continued service with the Department of Roads. They celebrate their service dates in *February* and *March*.

40 Years

Ronald Goracke, District 7

30 Years

Michael Mosiman, Bridge
Paul Patton, District 6
Garry Retzlaff, District 4
Phillip Smith, District 6
Sandra Wojtasek, Planning & Proj. Dev.

20 Years

Steven Brown, Information Systems Kevin Edwards, District 6 Karen Fanning, District 7 Charles Jasa, District 1 Martin Rodriguez, District 4 Winifred Roseberry, Roadway Design

10 Years

Donald Fluhart, District 4
Scott Glathar, District 1
Mary Goggins, Controller
Hugh Holak, District 1
Kevin Kohmetscher, District 4
Justin Meeks, District 5
Kevin Petska, District 6

A Rewarding Thought

"Always treat your employees exactly as you want them to treat your best customers."

- Stephen R. Covey, author and motivational speaker

Brought to you by the Rewards & Recognition Agency Panel.

Nomination forms can be found at http://www.dor.state.ne.us on the Human Resources page.



Awareness Week April 3-9

The sixth annual National Work Zone Awareness Week, scheduled the first week of April, is a national effort that hopes to increase public awareness of work zone safety needs from the driver as well as the highway worker perspective.

Calendar year 2003 statistics reveal 1,028 men and women—both workers

and motorists—were killed nationwide in work zones, compared to 1,181 fatalities in 2002 and 1,079 fatalities in 2001. Nine of those deaths were in Nebraska, compared to 12 deaths in 2002 and 11 deaths in 2001.

On average, there is a work zone for every 50 miles traveled on U.S. roads. While work zones are here to maintain our roadways for years to come, efforts in each community to increase awareness of work zone safety among motorists and highway workers may help lower these numbers across the nation.

The awareness week is sponsored by the following groups: The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), Federal Highway
Administration (FHWA), American
Traffic Safety Services Association
(ATSSA), American Road and
Transportation Builders Association
(ARTBA), Associated General
Contractors of America (AGC),
Occupational Safety and Health
Administration (OSHA), and State
Departments of Transportation
(DOT's).

The goal is to bring awareness to motorists of the undivided attention needed and adherence to lower speed limits, warning signs, and temporary driving conditions when driving through a roadway work zone.

Recommended Reading

More good books as recommended by Director John Craig

"Why Economies Grow" by Jeff Madrick (2002). The author makes the case that there is no simple and reliable course to economic prosperity. It is the result of a complex and changing set of initiatives and circumstances. Some general conclusions can, however, be drawn. First, large and expanding markets are necessary for economies to grow and the U.S. has benefited from just that for the past two hundred years. With the growing global economy he asserts that "times are a changing" and the economic leadership that the U.S. has enjoyed for over two hundred years may (or is) diminishing as other nations' economies begin to take off. At the risk of oversimplifying the author's book, he argues that economies around the world have grown as democratization has occurred and the U.S. has excelled in that. Of the various elements that make economies grow, he asserts that three areas—education, health care and transportation infrastructure—have fallen into neglect in recent decades. Somewhat surprisingly, many Jeffersonians and others in the earlier times of our country were opposed to government involvement in building roads. Times change. He also asserts that in recent decades two working spouses has become the norm, and we as a country have done little or nothing to adjust to that. He also argues for improving transportation and communications systems as basic needs to deliver products fast and inexpensive in large and expanding markets. He also asserts that technology and the information age is not going to grow the economy (think of the dot coms) on its own. Finally, he asserts that we won't (or may not) do what is necessary to get the economy growing again partly due to the American character that government is a burden and not a partner.

His solution: a new "social contract" of inclusiveness and adjustment to change that allows all citizens to fulfill their dreams and achieve their potential. This is a good book to read.

This read can be tied back to a previous book review on "Alexander Hamilton." I saw a quote after reading it that said, "while we revere Thomas Jefferson, we live in the world that Alexander Hamilton created." Hamilton single-handedly wrote most of the Federalist papers and is the basis for much of our federal government, including our economy and its development.

"The Price of Government" by David Osborne and Peter Hutchison (2004). On the back cover of the book, Rudy Giuliani, former Mayor of New York is quoted as saying, "was required reading for my staff." It is a good read but hard to imagine (like most books) that anyone would agree with everything that is asserted. Fundamentally, the authors assert that government at any level is now in a permanent state of fiscal crisis and recent years are not an anomaly. (I happen to agree with that.) This covers many of the common themes we have discussed, including: do more with less, the currency of the future is trust, leadership and its development, building coalitions, character, values, continuous improvement, customer service, flexibility, empowerment, rewards and recognition, partnering, and relentless focus on accountability and results. The author gives examples of success and failure of good government doing more with less at the federal, state and local levels. He also suggests that the price of government is set at the price citizens are willing to pay. This is how our democratic system and republican form of government are designed to work. This is another good

We Get Letters ...

November 29, 2004

Dear Sirs,

Over the last two years I have had the opportunity to watch the road construction from I-680 to State Hwy. 36. I travel that stretch of road at least twice a day and some days more. Through the years, I have watched other projects from beginning to end and I must say that I have never witnessed a project that was as well orchestrated as this one. You and the contractor, Hawkins Construction, have worked very well together. Every step of the process is so well thought out that it seems to flow to the next portion without a hitch. Traffic has not been disrupted at all and, if anything, it seems to move smoother. Your engineers, project managers and the contractor deserve a good pat on the back for a job well done. Please pass the word along for me. My hat is off to you. Keep up the good work.

Roger Frakes Blair, Nebraska

Editor's Note: This letter refers specifically to District 2 Project N-133, I-680-N-36, north of Omaha. Project Manager Frank Veverka, Fremont, is in charge of the four-lane upgrade.

December 3, 2004

Dear Richard Ruby,

Just a quick note to congratulate you and the Nebraska Department of Roads and Werner Construction for the improvements on the highways in and around the City of Fairbury. I am especially thankful for the overlay of "K" Street (Hwy. 15).

For the first time in the 41 years I have been employed by the City of Fairbury, I won't have to hear about that horrible rough brick street on "K." I feel like I have died and gone to heaven!

> Edgar Coatman Public Works Director City of Fairbury

The Department of Roads receives numerous complimentary letters. The letters printed here are representative of those often sent praising the many fine and deserving employees of the Department of Roads.

November 15, 2004

Forrest Francis State of Nebraska, Albion

Thanks so much for bringing highway signs to town for our punkin chunkin celebration. We appreciate what you do for our community!

Petersburg Community Club Petersburg Legion Club

Editor's Note: Forrest Francis is the Hwy. Maintenance Supervisor at District 3 in Albion. His crew provided highway signs for the annual community celebration held in

December 6, 2004

Dear John Craig,

Kudos to the Nebraska Department of Roads' I-80 snow and ice removal teams following the Thanksgiving weekend snow blizzard.

Trapped in Denver on Sunday, we departed Monday on a treacherous ice- and snow-packed I-76 travel surface for nearly 200 miles.

Upon arriving in Nebraska on I-80, we were met by nearly perfect road conditions. A bit of water and slush but, overall, the roads were excellent from Big Springs to Lincoln.

Congratulations to the employees of the Nebraska Department of Roads for a job very well done. Their professionalism and timely clearing of the roadway made it self-evident that they are experienced and proud to be on a team that produces results that insure, to the greatest extent possible, the public safety and welfare of travelers. Their good work made us proud and safe!

Rex Amack, Director Nebraska Game & Parks Commission

NDOR Recognized for Hallam Tornado Recovery

The Nebraska Department of Roads received a framed certificate on behalf of the citizens of Lancaster County, from the Lincoln-Lancaster County Emergency Management, staff, and the Village of Hallam in recognition of their "tireless effort to help after the Hallam tornado."

NDOR Director John Craig accepted the certificate during the Rewards and Recognition Quarterly Awards Ceremony on February 4 at Central Headquarters in Lincoln. The certificate noted, "Without your generosity, our ability to restore the community would not have been possible. The donations you gave and your willingness to help is very much appreciated."

The certificate was signed by Doug Ahlberg, Director of the Lincoln-Lancaster County Emergency Management, Scott Likens, Mayor of Hallam, and Ray Stevens, Lancaster County Commissioner.

Thirty-nine NDOR employees were also honored during the awards ceremony, receiving the Emergency Public Assistance Award for their volunteer efforts during the tornado recovery in southern Lancaster County. Each employee received a pin and framed certificate.

TE Projects Awarded

The Nebraska Department of Roads recently announced that a total of \$5,177,042 has been awarded for 16 community and agency projects statewide through the Transportation Enhancement (TE) Program.

According to Roads Director John Craig, "Many positive things are being done in Nebraska as a result of the Transportation Enhancement Program. Since 1993, the Department of Roads has awarded \$70 million for 530 transportation enhancement projects across the state. These projects are making a significant contribution to the quality of life in Nebraska communities—from the smallest village to the largest city."

Transportation Enhancement dollars have been spent in one of every three Nebraska communities.

The Transportation Enhancement

Program, part of the federal highway bill, provides funding to local, state, and regional government entities to construct and restore transportation infrastructure that are not eligible to be funded through other programs. Examples of transportation infrastructure projects that are eligible under this program include nonmotorized facilities for pedestrians and bicycles, development of scenic byways, restoration of historic transportation facilities, and other projects directly related to the historic, current or future transportation infrastructure.

The Transportation Enhancement Selection Committee recommended the projects for funding.

Following is a complete list of the successful projects recommended for funding along with their locations:

- Nebraska Forests Service/UNL Statewide Arboretum – continuation of Nebraska Community Enhancement Program
- Cowboy Trail Surfacing Program, Stuart to Bassett
- Sheridan County Bridge Rehabilitation historic Colclesser Bridge over the Niobrara River
- Winnebago Ho-Chunk Village Trail concrete trail on west side of U.S. Hwy. 75/77
- Platte River Trail Phase 3 from Springfield Creek north to Hwy. 50/370
- Ravenna Trail connect Buffalo County Recreation Area to downtown Ravenna
- UNL East Campus Huntington-Leighton Trail
- Springfield Trail & Trailhead
- Omaha Turner Boulevard Trail
- Missouri River Trail from N.P. Dodge Park to the Douglas/Washington County line
- Platte River Trail Phase 1 5-mile segment in Lincoln to Omaha regional trail system
- Fairbury Downtown Historical Lighting
- Sutton School Creek Trail
- Weeping Water Trail
- Ralston Connector Trail Phase 2 (East)
- Arlington Trail

TURF & GARDEN

By Dick Gray Agronomist



Managing Your Lawn

Turf - It looks like water restrictions are going to be a way of life in Lincoln and many other towns again this year. Being able to water three days a week will be enough in most cases. With water restrictions you have to be a better manager for your grass. Aeration and power raking are more important. You want the water you do apply to soak in and not run off. Raise your mower a little higher to keep the ground temperature down and protect the moisture you have put into the ground. Keep your mower blade extra sharp so you always have a clean cut. Dull blades leave ragged surfaces that heal slower than a clean cut. Consider top-dressing your lawn with compost after you aerify. The compost holds water well and will leave you with a greener lawn. Recycling your grass clippings will help your lawn, too. Your green color will last longer and your fertilizer bill will be lower. Watch for the early sales of fertilizer and preemergent, but do not be in a hurry to put them down. The lawn will green up on its own, and

preemergent does not need to be down until May. There are products out there to keep the bottom of your mower clean. One of them is "Stay Clean" that is sprayed under the mower before you go out for the first time. It's time to take the mower to the shop for a tune-up and blade sharpening.

Trees - Prune your lilacs and forsythia right after they bloom. They will have a heavier bloom next year. Do not prune your maple trees in the spring—they bleed too much. Wait for warm weather and then prune them. Prune your evergreens any time. Prune your Privet hedge in March. Use absorbent polymer when planting new trees and shrubs. The polymer gives up the water slowly and hydrates again when there is rain, or when you water.

Garden - Leaky hose, mulch and weed control fabric will do your garden a world of good. The leaky hose distributes the water where you want it, mulch keeps the soil moist longer and the weed fabric stops most of the weed growth. Use mammoth sunflowers for a windbreak around the garden; they also provide winter bird and squirrel food. You can also use absorbent polymer in the potting soil mix for your flower pots. Rehash of the tomato story: Big tomatoes—Giant German and Big Beef, Old reliable—Better Bush and Heartland, Unusual—Beef Master, and Heirloom—Cherokee (so tasty the grasshoppers eat them green).

General - I have had a lot of fun writing this column over the years. Thanks for listening and see you around the state. *Best wishes for you all—Gone retiring!*

Updated HR Website Offers Innovations

By Gloria Eikerman, Jenifer Lautenschlager & Lois Schmidt Human Resources Division

The Human Resources recruitment staff invites NDOR employees to take a look at the new updated HR website. This improved version allows you to view vacancies and does not require a password. Check out these new features by going to www.dor.state.ne.

Internal and external positions are now available in one place on the NDOR website under "Employment Opportunities." By clicking on the "Current NDOR Job Openings," a map of the state will display divided into the eight districts. You may click on any area of the map to find out what positions are available internally or externally in a particular geographical area or district. Or you may view all openings by clicking on "List of ALL

Current Vacancies in PDF." Instructions are listed on how to apply for each position.

If you aren't sure about what an area has to offer, check out the link to the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce. Cities within the districts are listed and contain valuable information about the communities. If you are looking to relocate or know someone who is, tell them about this important new feature.

For your convenience, there is also a link to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), which lists all vacancies within state government. External NDOR vacancies require an applicant to complete a DAS application form, which is also available through this link. Please note that "internal only" vacancies require an application filled out and sent to

NDOR Human Resources rather than DAS.

The new "Student Opportunity" section contains information about internships, co-ops, job shadowing and work-study programs. Testimonials from current participants offer some valuable insight on the programs. If you know of any students that would be interested in working with us, tell them to check out this web page.

The website also features career fair information, the schedule of upcoming events and pictures. We encourage employee participation at career fairs, and if you are interested in assisting with these events, please contact us.

Any questions, comments or suggestions regarding information contained on this website are welcome. Just click on "E-Mail Us!" ◆



Health & Safety

Staying Safe When Working in Cold Environments



By Jane Brommer, RN

Many NDOR employees are required to work outside in the coldest part of the winter. Often those persons are more "acclimated" than those persons who spend most of the winter indoors and are outside only for recreational purposes or work like snow shoveling. All are at risk of

falling victim to cold-related emergencies. The following cold injuries are listed in order of seriousness:

Hypothermia – Early symptoms include shivering, clumsy movements, poor judgment, pale or blue-gray skin. It is an emergency and can quickly lead to unconsciousness and death.

Frostbite – This is freezing of the skin and tissues under the skin. The skin looks pale or blue and feels cold, numb or "rubbery" to the touch.

Emergency treatment of both conditions includes moving out of the cold and removing any wet clothing. Do not rub any of the affected areas and do not apply heat. In the case of hypothermia, call "911" and never give the person alcohol.

A good acronym to remember for staying healthy in cold weather is C.O.L.D.

C is for cover. Always wear a hat and warm gloves or mittens to keep body heat from escaping.

o is for overexertion. Avoid activities that cause you to sweat a lot. The combination of wet clothes and cold weather can give you the chills.

L is for layers. Wear loose-fitting layered, lightweight clothing. Outer clothing should be made of tightly woven, water-repellent material for the best wind protection. Wool, silk or polypropylene inner layers hold more heat than cotton does.

is for dry. Stay as dry as possible. Pay attention to where snow can enter (boot tops, loose mittens or gloves).

Keep emergency supplies in your vehicle in case you get stranded. Blankets, flashlights, candles, high fat snack foods and a mylar blanket would be good items to include. A cell phone could be your best friend. If you should get stuck in a snowdrift, be careful about running the engine, and be sure the tailpipe is clear of snow to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning.

Snow shoveling suggestions include all of the above precautions as well as working in short increments before the snow gets too deep. A good basic rule to follow is to *not* shovel snow at all if you have cardiovascular disease or another chronic condition or are over 40 years of age and do not exercise regularly. Shoveling snow is an activity that puts an extra heavy load on your heart.

Stay warm, healthy and well this winter!

Job Directory

NDOR Highway Improvement Projects Currently Under Contract as of 1/14/05

Location Work Description Prime Contractor Project Manager Contract Bid Amount

Key:

Aggregate - Agg
Bituminous - Bit
Bridge - Br
Building - Bldg
Concrete Pavement - ConPav
Culverts - Culv
Electrical - Elec
Grading - Gr
Guardrail - Gdrl
Seeding - Seed

District 1

Daykin East Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Endorf, Dennis (402)729-3489 \$1,325,716.05

Plymouth - Beatrice Bit Werner Construction, Inc.

Werner Construction, Inc. Endorf, Dennis (402)729-3489 \$999,401.80

Branched Oak Lake Gr, Culv, Seed, Bit Constructors, Inc. England, Jim (402)471-0850 \$1,110,262.45

Odell East & West Gr, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Constructors, Inc. Habegger, Michael (402)335-4131 \$2,480,272.98

Liberty Spur East Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Constructors, Inc. Habegger, Michael (402)335-4131 \$1,278,236.26

Tecumseh West Gr, Culv, Seed, Gdrl, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Hitzeman, Don (402)335-4131 \$1,676,877.11

Palmyra Maintenance Facilty Palmyra Maintenance Facility Rogge General Contractors, Inc. Hitzeman, Don (402)335-4131 \$1,362,000.00

Lorton Southeast Gr, Culv Commercial Contractors Equip., Inc. Hitzeman, Don (402)335-4131 \$301,563.45

Brock - Lorton Bit Dobson Bros. Construction Co. & Affiliates Hitzeman, Don (402)335-4131 \$562,371.66

Dunbar South Bit Dobson Bros. Construction Co. & Affiliates Hitzeman, Don (402)335-4131 \$424,754.46

District 1 - Districtwide Elec Dominion Construction Co. Holak, Hugh (402)471-0850 \$189,158.00 Lincoln Northeast (WB) Specialty Ballou Construction Co., Inc. Holak, Hugh (402)471-0850 \$115,922.12

Oak Creek Bridges Gr, ConPav, Br Capital Contractors, Inc. Holak, Hugh (402)471-0850 \$2,718,850.13

I-80 Over Cornhusker Hwy. & BNSF Railroad Gr, ConPav, Br Capital Contractors, Inc. Holak, Hugh (402)471-0850 \$3,871,249.32

Nebraska City Scales Specialty Kayton Electric, Inc. Knutson, DeWaine (402)471-0850 \$1,126,619.20

Dynamic Message Signs -Districts 1, 2 & 3 Culv, Gdrl, Sign Watts Electric Co. Knutson, Dewaine (402)471-0850 \$868,187.55

I-80 To Cornhusker Hwy. Bit Pavers Companies Knutson, Dewaine (402)471-0850 \$1,295,200.00

Milford East Gr, Br, Gdrl A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc. Lane, Chris (402)483-5466 \$655,054.08

Pleasant Dale Southwest Gr, Br, Gdrl A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc. Lane, Chris (402)483-5466 \$695,844.53

Pleasant Dale Southwest Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl Elk Horn Construction Co. Lane, Chris (402)483-5466 \$364 756 58

Salem South Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl Elk Horn Construction Co. Lane, Chris (402)483-5466

Nehawka West Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl Elk Horn Construction Co. Manning, Ryan (402)421-1717 \$607,270.11

Syracuse Southeast Gr, Br, Gdrl Christensen Bros., Inc. Manning, Ryan (402)421-1717 \$767,059.85

Julian North & South Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Elec Dobson Bros. Construction Co. & Affiliates Mueller, Gerald (402)335-4131 \$12,645,541.65

Abie - N-15 Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Constructors, Inc. Niazi, Babrak (402)471-0850 \$2,294,861.05

Bridge Over I-80 @ Arbor Rd. Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc. Niazi, Babrak (402)471-0850 \$2,755,958.99 Hickman North Gr, Culv, Seed, Bit Pavers Companies Plouzek, Jim (402)441-7681 \$1,329,000.01

In David City Specialty Ballou Construction Co., Inc. Preble, Rodger (402)471-0850

\$48,017.40 David City North Bit

Knight Asphalt, Inc. Preble, Rodger (402)471-0850 \$1,169,110.19

Seward West

Dobson Bros. Construction Co. & Affiliates Preble, Rodger (402)471-0850 \$1,826,740.58

District 1 - Districtwide Specialty Gee Asphalt Systems, Inc. Preble, Rodger (402)471-0850 \$261,099.00

Bridge Over I-80 @ 250th Street Gr, ConPav, Culv, Br, Gdrl Hawkins Construction Co. Sidiqi, Abdul (402)471-0850 \$2,268,751.37

Ashland South & East Gr, Culv, Seed, Gdrl, Elec, Bit Dobson Bros. Construction Co. & Affiliates Sidioi. Abdul (402)471-0850

Sidiqi, Abdul \$4,732,948.07 (402)471-0850

Seward Northwest Br

Elk Horn Construction Co. Traudt, Bob (402)471-0850 \$577,324.62

Nebraska City - Union Bit U.S. Asphalt Co. Traudt, Bob (402)471-0850 \$1,808,852.15

K & L Interchange Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Dobson Bros. Construction Co. & Affiliates Traudt, Bob (402)471-0850 \$10,119,343.74

Endicott West Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Vandegrift, Allen (402)729-3489 \$1,377,317.97

Fairbury - Jansen Seed, Gdrl, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Vandegrift, Allen (402)729-3489 \$1,843,308.35

Fairbury North Bit

Werner Construction, Inc. Vandegrift, Allen (402)729-3489 \$1,837,520.85

Wilber Northwest Gr, Br, Gdrl Elk Horn Construction Co. Vandegrift, Allen (402)729-3489 \$413,157.97

Lincoln Surveyors Building Lincoln Surveyors Building Rogge General Contractors, Inc. Wood, Glenda (402)479-4498 \$658,029.00

District 2

West Dodge Bridge Over I-680 Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Chas. Vrana & Son Constr. Co. Baehr, Dennis (402)595-2534 \$15,694,829.63

174 St. - 198 St., Omaha Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Chas. Vrana & Son Constr. Co. Baratta, Joseph (402)595-2534 \$15,703,247.66

Blair - Kennard Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit Luxa Construction Co., Inc. Brown, Darin G (402)727-3292 \$4,244,619.96

Maple St. - Fort St., Omaha Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Chas. Vrana & Son Constr. Co. Farivari, Mo (402)595-2534 \$15,416,759.67

Bridge Over I-680 @ Sprague St. Gr, Br Chas. Vrana & Son Constr. Co. Farivari, Mo (402)595-2534 \$1,094,339.95

Missouri River Bridge, Omaha Gr, ConPav, Br, Gdrl Cramer & Associates, Inc. Farivari, Mo (402)595-2534 \$998,891.58

N-370 To Ruff Rd. Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Hawkins Construction Co. Fisher, Rick (402)595-2534 \$39,143,149.79

Gretna Interchange South Specialty Iowa Erosion Control, Inc. Fisher, Rick (402)595-2534 \$448,620.82

Automated Work Zone System Speciality Watts Electric Co. Fisher, Rick (402)595-2534 \$466,115.00

108th St., Burt-W. Maple Rd., Omaha Gr, ConPav, Culv, Elec Chas. Vrana & Son Constr. Co. Glow, Tom (402)444-5279 \$3,040,849.70

Elkhorn South Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Gdrl, Elec WBE Company, Inc. Khalaf, Zahi (402)595-2534 \$2,407,088.79

Papillion West Gr, ConPav, Culv, Br, Gdrl WBE Company, Inc. Peterson, Roger (402)255-3831 \$3,299,003.92

Colfax/Dodge Co Line - Snyder

Werner Construction, Inc. Trujillo, Ray (402)727-3292 \$221,947.65

In Blair & West Specialty Micheels Construction Co. Trujillo, Ray (402)727-3292 \$136,990.82

In Blair Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Fence, Elec Luxa Construction Co., Inc. Trujillo, Ray (402)727-3292 \$6.183.447.41 Blair Vehicle Shop & Office Facility Blair Vehicle Shop & Office Facility Graham Penn-Co Construction, Inc. Trujillo, Ray (402)727-3292 \$491,300.00

Fremont - Nickerson Specialty Diamond Surface, Inc. Trujillo, Ray (402)727-3292 \$2,056,085.64

I-680 To N-36, Omaha Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec Hawkins Construction Co. Veverka, Frank (402)727-3292 \$12,915,674.88

Waterloo Southeast Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Hawkins Construction Co. Weander, Marty (402)595-2534 \$20,452,885.99

198th St. - Skyline Dr., Omaha Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Hawkins Construction Co. Weander, Marty (402)595-2534 \$18,371,814.38

District 2 - Districtwide Elec Dominion Construction Co. Wilson, Bill (402)595-2534 \$153,698.00

W. Dodge Rd., 132nd St. - 120th St. Gr, ConPav, Culv, Elec, Sign Hawkins Construction Co. Zelensky, Rich (402)595-2534 \$5,021,822.65

W. Dodge Rd. (WB) Expressway Bridge, 108th - 120th St. Gr, ConPav, Culv, Br, Spec, Elec, Sign Hawkins Construction Co. Zelensky, Rich (402)595-2534 \$62,989,885.92

District 3

Duncan - Columbus Bituminous Werner Construction, Inc. Anderson, David (402)564-5751 \$877,200.08

Wynot Southeast Gr, Br ,Gdrl Dixon Construction Co. Becker, Roger (402)254-6552 \$677,721.82

Osmond East Gr, ConPav, Culv, Br Gdrl Herbst Construction, Inc. Becker, Roger (402)254-6552 \$2,062,925.73

Dixon Northeast Br Graves Construction Co., Inc. Brummond, Scott (402)375-7071 \$618,260.30

Pender West & North Specialty Monarch Oil, Inc. Brummond, Scott (402)375-7071 \$485,454.28

East Jct. Us-275 North Gr, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Paulsen, Inc.

Paulsen, Inc. Brummond, Scott (402)375-7071 \$1,671,881.21 Wayne Northwest

Culv A & R Construction Co. Brummond, Scott (402)375-7071 \$88,417.10

Pierce Southeast Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Davis, Rob (402)370-3474 \$2,275,252.29 Norfolk East Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Elec Dobson Bros. Construction Co. Davis, Rob (402)370-3474 \$18,274,985.53

Carroll South & Pierce East Br, Gdrl Herbst Construction, Inc. Dirks, Tony (402)254-6552 \$101,481.75

West Point Southwest Br

Herbst Construction, Inc. Fornoff, Kris (402)564-5751 \$461,719.45

Concord Spur Bit Brower Construction Co. Francis, Jeff (402)375-7071 \$389,224.53

Wayne East Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit Brower Construction Co. Francis, Jeff (402)375-7071 \$4,418,941.08

Newcastle Maintenance Facility Newcastle Maintenance Facility Radec Construction Co. Inc. Francis, Jeff (402)375-7071 \$513,300.00

Columbus North Gr, ConPay, Culv, Seed, Br A & R Construction Co. Manning, Ryan (402)421-1717 \$997,583.62

Homer South Gr, Br, Gdrl, Bit Christensen Bros., Inc. Mead, Terry (402)371-6416 \$477,326.99

Bancroft Northwest Gr, Br, Gdrl Christensen Bros., Inc. Mueting, Curt (402)370-3474 \$928,503.60

Norfolk North Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec Dobson Bros. Construction Co. & Affiliates Mueting, Curt (402)370-3474

Mueting, Curt (402)370-3474 \$8,592,417.11 West Point - Oakland

West Foint - Cakland Bit Henningsen Const., Inc. Schulz, Ron (402)370-3474 \$1,689,068.35

Bancroft East & West Specialty Monarch Oil, Inc. Schulz, Ron (402)370-3474 \$1,013,312.71

Cedar Rapids West Specialty Monarch Oil, Inc. Schulz, Ron (402)370-3474 \$383,584.95

Foster Southeast Specialty Monarch Oil, Inc. Schulz, Ron (402)370-3474 \$132,962.52

BNSF, Oakland Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit Luxa Construction Co., Inc. Schulz, Ron (402)370-3474 \$1,548,274.90

Albion West Culv M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc. Trosper, Steven (402)564-5751 \$395,974.24

Albion Northeast Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl, Bit Herbst Construction, Inc. Trosper, Steven (402)564-5751 \$1,562,233.05 Cedar Rapids East Br Herbst Construction, Inc. Trosper, Steven (402)564-5751 \$84,621.00

In Cedar Rapids & North Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Paulsen, Inc. Trosper, Steven (402)564-5751 \$2,046,965.84

District 4

York North & South Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec Dobson Bros. Construction Co. & Affiliates Anderson, Tom (402)362-5934 \$18,182,230.53

Districts 3 & 4 - Districtwide Elec Kayton Electric, Inc.

Catlett, Terry (308)385-6265 \$281,549.75

Kearney - Wood River Specialty Micheels Construction Co. Catlett, Terry (308)385-6265 \$410,403.70

Kearney North Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec Werner Construction, Inc. Farber, Tom (308)865-5434 \$5,884,195.46

Miller - Amherst Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Farber, Tom (308)865-5434 \$2,782,060.37

US-30/"E" Ave., Kearney Elec Kayton Electric, Inc. Farber, Tom (308)865-5434 \$162,671.55

Aurora West Specialty Monarch Oil, Inc. Griepenstroh, Scott (308)385-6888 \$189,507.50

Merrick Co Line West Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed Elec Dobson Bros. Construction Co. & Affiliates

& Affiliates Griepenstroh, Scott (308)385-6888 \$5,123,897.10

Milligan North Gr, Br, Gdrl Capital Contractors, Inc. Grooms, Jerry (402)362-5934 \$655,235.70

Giltner - Aurora Specialty Diamond Surface, Inc. Kohmetscher, Lyle (402)462-1996 \$591,750.84

Silver Creek South Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Kwiatkowski, Rick (308)754-5411 \$2,846,433.54

St. Paul North Specialty Werner Construction, Inc. Kwiatkowski, Rick (308)754-5411 \$327,732.90

Fullerton North Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Kwiatkowski, Rick (308)754-5411 \$2,812,084.50

Greeley North & South Bit

Western Engineering Co., Inc. Kwiatkowski, Rick (308)754-5411 \$4,164,060.68 Belgrade South Br A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc. Kwiatkowski, Rick (308)754-5411 \$453.707.05

Ruskin Southwest Gr, Br, Gdrl The Diamond Engineering Co. Lane, Chris (402)483-5466 \$352,577.59

Guide Rock East Br, Gdrl Garcia-Chicoine Enterprises, Inc. Meyer, Steve (402)462-1996 \$144,805.50

Glenvil Spur - Fillmore/Saline Line Specialty Monarch Oil, Inc. Meyer, Steve (402)462-1996 \$621,127.00

Wood River Interchange Br

A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc. Ruxton, Bob (402)462-1996 \$1,588,201.27

Platte River East of Grand Island Bridge Repair The Diamond Engineering Co. Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888 \$420,735.87

Grand Island South Gr, ConPav, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Fence, Elec, Sign Werner Construction, Inc. Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888 \$9,800,324.79

Ravenna Viaduct Gr, ConPav, Culv, Br, Gdrl, Elec Christensen Bros., Inc. Weber, Kirk (308)385-6888 \$4,212,903.12

Clarks South Bridges Gr, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Hawkins Construction Co. Woodgate, Gerald (308)385-6888 \$3,468,746.45

District 4 - Districtwide Specialty Gee Asphalt Systems, Inc. Woodgate, Gerald (308)385-6888 \$457,984.89

District 5

Beltline Hwy. South In Scottsbluff Gr, ConPav Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries Applegate, Joe (308)632-1429 \$172,059.33

Scottsbluff-Gering Bypass Gr, Culv, Seed, Br Ames Construction, Inc. Applegate, Joe (308)632-1429 \$17,270,595.51

Harrison South Gr, Culv, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Carnahan, Brian (308)432-6144 \$3,055,939.86

Ellsworth North Gr, Culv, Bit Western Engineering Co., Inc. Carnahan, Brian (308)432-6144 \$3,393,653.37

Harrison Salt Storage Facility Harrison Salt Storage Facility Paul Reed Constr. & Supply, Inc. Carnahan, Brian (308)432-6144 \$57,880.00

Hay Springs - Rushville Gr, Culv, Seed, Gdrl, Elec, Bit Paulsen, Inc. Carnahan, Brian (308)432-6144 \$2,950,656.26 In Chadron & West Specialty Kirk Barnes Construction, Inc. Carnahan, Brian (308)432-6144 \$412,960.20

Harrison Maintenance Facility Harrison Maintenance Facility Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries Carnahan, Brian (308)432-6144 \$445,000.00

Scottsbluff West Bridge Bridge Heggem Construction, Inc. Fast, Dean (308)632-1429 \$450,108.70

Northport Intersection Specialty Kirk Barnes Construction, Inc. Frickey, Russ (308)262-1929 \$115,631.99

Oshkosh Northwest Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit Ames Construction, Inc. Frickey, Russ (308)262-1929 \$5,792,419.67

Bayard East Specialty Iowa Erosion Control, Inc. Hilderbrand, Sylvia L. (308)262-1920 \$327,723.62

Gering - Scottsbluff Specialty Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries Hilderbrand, Sylvia L. (308)262-1920 \$423,224.86

Scottsbluff West Specialty Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries Hilderbrand, Sylvia L (308)262-1920 \$284,222.46

Lodgepole Interchange Elec Watts Electric Co. Johnson, James (308)632-1429 \$116,057.75

Elec Watts Electric Co. Johnson, James (308)632-1429 \$163,254.80

N-138 Interchange

Oshkosh South Br Simon Contractors & Subsidiarie

Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries Johnson, James (308)632-1429 \$319,217.45 Big Springs West

Big Springs West ConPav, Br, Gdrl Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries Johnson, James (308)632-1429 \$2,181,336.39

Wyoming Line - Chappell Specialty CCS Roadway Enterprises, Inc. Johnson, James (308)632-1429 \$454,652.17

Crawford South

Perrett Construction, Ltd. McCaslin. Larry (308)635-1926 \$709,995.33

N-71 East Gr, Culv, Seed, Gdrl, Bit Western Engineering Co., Inc. Rhamy, Wayne (308)632-7727 \$3,306,776.73

Harrisburg Spur Culv, Seed, Bit Western Engineering Co., Inc. Rhamy, Wayne (308)632-7727 \$585,809.44

Kimball North Bit Western Engineering Co., Inc. Rhamy, Wayne (308)632-7727 \$1,558,528.04 Scottsbluff - Minatare Gr, ConPay, Culv, Seed Elec Western Engineering Co., Inc. Rhamy, Wayne (308)632-7727 \$8,552,774.73

Scottsbluff North

Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries Rhamy, Wayne (308)632-7727 \$922,893.91

Bushnell - West Kimball Bit Highway Improvement, Inc. Smith, Don (308)262-1929 \$128,332.54

District 6

Cozad - Lexington Specialty Monarch Oil, Inc. Brinker, Gary (308)535-8033 \$498,624.50

Gothenburg East & West Specialty Multiple Concrete Enterprises, Inc. Brinker, Gary (308)535-8033 \$1,251,986.75

Ogallala South Specialty Brown & Brown, Inc. Morrell, Richard (308)535-8033 \$503,994.88

In Ogallala Specialty Iowa Erosion Control, Inc. Morrell, Richard (308)535-8033 \$361,885.09

I-76 Interchange Br Capital Contractors, Inc. Morrell, Richard (308)535-8033 \$443,900.24

Jct. US-83/S-56B Gr, ConPav ,Culv, Elec Cement Products, Inc. Morrell, Richard (308)535-8033 \$1,838,227.40

Ogallala West Gr, ConPav, Culv, Elec Paulsen, Inc. Morrell, Richard (308)535-8033 \$2,337,388.51

Thedford North

Werner Construction, Inc. Sawyer, Harlan (308)535-8033 \$2,114,816.46

Arthur North Specialty Sta-Bilt Construction Co. Sawyer, Harlan (308)535-8033 \$219,777.20

North Platte North Specialty Sta-Bilt Construction Co. Sawyer, Harlan (308)535-8033 \$757,734.10

Ashby West Gr, Culv, Bit Paulsen, Inc. Sawyer, Harlan (308)535-8033 \$1,439,382.22

Lemoyne - West Bit Simon Contractors & Subsidiaries Sawyer, Harlan (308)535-8033

\$2,999,216.95 Callaway- Oconto Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033 \$3,072,385.62 Elec Kayton Electric, Inc. Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033 \$179,999.18 Wallace North Gr, Culv, Bit Western Engineering Co., Inc. Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033 \$3,599,896.94

Districts 5, 6, 7 & 8 - Districtwide

Dynamic Message Signs -Districts 4, 5 & 6 Gdrl, Sign Watts Electric Company Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033 \$819,302.90

Stapleton Salt Shed Stapleton Salt Shed Robert J. McKenzie dba McKenzie Construction Co. Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033 \$95,698.00

Maint. Facility @ North Platte Bldg Construction United Fire & Casualty Co. Thomsen, Toby (308)535-8033 \$285,000.00

Eddyville East Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. White, Dennis (308)872-6735 \$3.728.873.15

Anselmo East Gr, Gdrl, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. White, Dennis (308)872-6735 \$789,537.87

Merna - Broken Bow Bit Werner Construction, Inc. White, Dennis (308)872-6735 \$1,108,140.34

Anselmo Northwest Bit Werner Construction, Inc. White, Dennis (308)872-6735 \$1,944,507.48

In Mullen Specialty Kirk Barnes Construction, Inc. White, Dennis (308)872-6735 \$161,933.50

District 7

Two Sites - Benkelman NW & NE Gdrl Garcia-Chicoine Enterprises, Inc. Anderson, Kent (308)423-2425 \$118,667.78

E. 7th St. East, McCook Gr, ConPav, Culv, Elec Werner Construction, Inc. Collins, Duane (308)345-8490 \$2,853,608.66

Enders Spillway Bridge Br

The Diamond Engineering Co. Doyle, Kelly (308)345-8490 \$161,429.57

Enders - Wauneta

Werner Construction, Inc. Doyle, Kelly (308)345-8490 \$1,824,892.65

Colorado/Nebraska Line East Gr, Bit Werner Construction, Inc.

Werner Construction, Inc. Doyle, Kelly (308)345-8490 \$2,401,264.46 Swanson Reservoir Rec Rd. -

Trenton Specialty Monarch Oil, Inc. Doyle, Kelly (308)345-8490 \$96,194.79 Max - Stratton Gdrl, Bit Paulsen, Inc. Doyle, Kelly (308)345-8490 \$2,816,154.25

McCook - Cambridge Specialty Highway Improvement, Inc. Doyle, Kelly (308)345-8490 \$158,609.76

Eustis Southwest

L.J. Webb Contractor, Inc. Kuhn, Kenton (308)995-5397 \$351,165.05

Alma - Republican City Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Quinn, Jerry (308)995-5397 \$8,976,048.42

Oxford South Specialty Monarch Oil, Inc. Sell, Tim (308)995-5397 \$152,839.00

Imperial Equipment Storage Bldg. Imperial Equipment Storage Bldg. BD Construction, Inc./Kearney Ziebell, Roger (308)345-8490 \$211,890.00

Elsie - Perkins/Lincoln County Line Bit

Paulsen, Inc. Ziebell, Roger \$1,416,949.87 (308)345-8490

US-6 North Gr, Culv, Seed, Br, Gdrl, Bit Paulsen, Inc. Ziebell, Roger (308)345-8490 \$2,255,565.09

Madrid - Elsie Gr, Culv, Seed, Bit Paulsen, Inc. Ziebell, Roger (308)345-8490 \$2,147,981.18

District 8

Niobrara River North & South Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl, Bit Werner Construction, Inc. Colfack, Gene (402)336-2051 \$6,153,291.28

Inman East & West Specialty Monarch Oil, Inc. Colfack, Gene (402)336-2051 \$262,413.00

Valentine South Bit

Werner Construction, Inc. Gustafson, Jay (402)376-1352 \$1,920,324.72

Springview Maintenance Facility Springview Maintenance Facility BD Construction, Inc./Kearney Rau, Larry (402)387-2471 \$254,600.00

Long Pine - Bassett Bits Paulsen, Inc. Rau, Larry (402)387-2471 \$1,359,830.81

Bartlett South Gr, Culv, Bit Western Engineering Co., Inc. Ziska, Dan (402)336-2051 \$2,705,230.30

Bartlett North & South Gr, Culv, Br, Gdrl, Elec, Bit Western Engineering Co., Inc. Ziska, Dan (402)336-2051 \$2,768,614.82

NDOR Events Calendar

February

2 RoadToasters Video Presentation

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Roe Enchayan @ 479-3682

8 New Employee Orientation Program

NDOR Central Headquarters Contact Carrie Williams @ 479-4870

9 RoadToasters Speechcrafters Course 12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Cindy Shockey @ 479-3837

13-19 National Child Passenger Safety Week

16 RoadToasters

12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Cindy Shockey @ 479-3837

18 Bd. Public Roads Class & Stds. 9:00 a.m., NDOR Auditorium

Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436

21 State Holiday - Presidents' Day

20-26 National Engineers Week

23 RoadToasters Speechcrafters Course

12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Cindy Shockey @ 479-3837

25 Project Scheduling Meeting

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., NDOR Auditorium Contact Craig Anderson @ 479-4666

25 Bd. Examiners for Co. Hwy. & City Street Supts.

10:00 a.m., NDOR Materials & Research Conference Rm. Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436

25 Hwy. Commission Meeting

10:00 a.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Shirley Schafer @ 479-4530

March—

2 RoadToasters Video Presentation

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Roe Enchayan @ 479-3682

3 Letting

1:30 p.m., NDOR Auditorium Contact Liz Wunderlich @ 479-4528

7 New Employee Orientation Program

NDOR Central Headquarters

Contact Carrie Williams @ 479-4870

7-9 Bd. Examiners for Co. Hwy. & City Street Supts.

Workshop March 7, 10:00 a.m. - March 9, 2:00 p.m. Holiday Inn, Kearney Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436

8-10 Project Managers' Conference

Ramada Inn, Kearney

9 RoadToasters Speechcrafters Course

12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Cindy Shockey @ 479-3837

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9:00 a.m., NDOR Auditorium Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436 23 RoadToasters Speechcrafters Course

12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Cindy Shockey @ 479-3837

Hwy. Commission Meeting

10:00 a.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Shirley Schafer @ 479-4530

29 Highway Safety/ITS Summit III

Cornhusker Hotel, Lincoln

30 RoadToasters Speechcrafters Course

12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Cindy Shockey @ 479-3837

Project Scheduling Meeting

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., NDOR Auditorium Contact Craig Anderson @ 479-4666

– April –

Bd. Examiners for Co. Hwy. & City Street Supts.

Meeting 8:45 a.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Examination 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. NDOR Auditorium Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436

3-9 National Work Zone Awareness Week

5 New Employee Orientation Program

NDOR Central Headquarters Contact Carrie Williams @ 479-4870

6 RoadToasters Video Presentation

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Roe Enchayan @ 479-3682

7 Letting

1:30 p.m., NDOR Auditorium Contact Liz Wunderlich @ 479-4528

13 RoadToasters Speechcrafters Course

12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Cindy Shockey @ 479-3837

15 Bd. Public Roads Class & Stds.

9:00 a.m., Ramada Limited South, Goldenrod Rm. West 1511 Centerpark Rd., Contact LeMoyne Schulz @ 479-4436

16-23 Great Nebraska Trash-Off

RoadToasters

12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Cindy Shockey @ 479-3837

22 Earth Day

22 Hwy. Commission Meeting

10:00 a.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Shirley Schafer @ 479-4530

27 RoadToasters Speechcrafters Course

(graduation celebration)

12:05 p.m. - 12:55 p.m., Hwy. Commission Meeting Rm. Contact Cindy Shockey @ 479-3837

29 State Holiday - Arbor Day

If you would like a key event included on upcoming calendars, call the Communication Office 479-4512 or e-mail lwilson@dor.state.ne.us. Information for the April/May Roadrunner should be received by March 14.